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There are some writers of whom we canchequered by toil or hardship, can have a ers, and all that we behold."

books by which Mr. Hunt is better known, rewards of fortune have been alike to Mr. noble in the world, have not been intercepted by its accidents or pains; and nothing so truly contributes as this cheerful philosophy to the estate "which wits inherit after death." It is with becoming satisfaction and well warranted self-respect that Mr. Hunt speaks us-amazing, if we did but think of it; but at the close of his preface to this book, of our indifference is a part of our health. The having done his best, in all his writings, to blood spins in us too quickly to let us think ent of uni- st for mistake and circumstance, and that re- vitality of all things. Those animals look as with his family, and the Miss Flamboroughs; pose on the happy destiny of the whole hu-man race, which have always appeared to were born in a new beginning of the world. him not only the healthiest and most anima- Men in cities hardly look as much!-and which most men of any power of reflection exhibit the same untiring renewal of life .-

others, that the wit's estate of which we have not a common sight; so it comes freshly and spoken shall be the wit's only inheritance; wonderfully upon us. What brilliancy in its that all must follow after death, and nothing eyes! What impetuous vigor in its leap!go before it? We are very loth to think so. What fearlessness of knocks and blows!ever again to be made or acted on by an side of its bars! What a sensation would English minister, it is eminently called for ensue, if that pretty-coated creature, which in the case of Mr. Leigh Hunt. We can in- eats a cake so good-naturedly, were sudden deed imagine the State, prodigal to all the ly out of its cage, and the cry were heardservices but those of peace and civilization, 'A tiger loose!'-'A lion!'-'A panther!'deciding to take no further heed of literary What a rush and screaming of all the ladies claims; the niggardly dole dispensed at pre- to the gates!-and of gentlemen too! How sent seems to point at no distant day to such the human voices, and those of the parraa consummation: but till such a determination keets would go shrieking to heaven together! Mr. Hunt can again be overlooked. With upon the cake-shop! A tiger let loose at even a Tory administration his case would day-time would not be so bad as at night .be a strong one, for his last twenty-five years Perhaps he would be most frightened himself have been passed in the writing of excellent, There was an account of one that got loose in Piccadilly, and slunk down into a cellar, ed social sympathies, promoted liberal tastes, where he was quietly taken; but at night, and ministered to honest enjoyment; but his just before feeding, it might not be so plea-is a case which men of popular opinions sant. Newspapers tell us of a lion which got should surely consider irresistible, since it out of one of the travelling caravans in the was the resolute maintenance of those opin- country, and, after lurking about the hedions in unpopular times which has harassed ges, tore a labourer that he met in full day-and impeded his every later exertion. It light. Nervous people in imaginative states would have been well for Mr. Hunt if Eldon of the biliary vessels—timid gentlemen taking and Ellenborough sacrifices had been only in easy rides—old ladies too comfortable in purse and person. He suffered in good their homes and arm-chairs-must sometimes name. He lost ground in reputation. His feel misgivings while making their circuit of talents were cheapened and made of less ac- the Regent's Park, after reading news of this ccount. To expenses in law inflicted on him description. Fancy yourself coming home in those days, are to be added cal- from the play or opera, humming. 'Deh umnies in literature, which, regarded at vieni, non tardar,' 'Meet me by moonlight their worth by intelligent men, could not so alone; and, as you are turning a corner in be regarded by booksellers who have to ca- Wimpole street, meeting-a tiger! ter for all men. And this for saying some- "What should you say? You would find thing less, and in far more moderate lang- yourself pouring forth a pretty set of Rabeuage than is now said daily without question! laesque exicamations:-Why, if the existing ministry were simply to "Eh-Oh-Oh-Lord!-Hollo!-Help! reselve to pay back to Mr. Hunt, with legal __Murder!_Tigers!_U-u-u-u-u-u interest, what was unjustly taken from him My God!-Policeman' in so much hard money by their predecessors, it might satisfy the present claim. But let the curious reader turn back to the papers of the time-let him see what it was, and for what, Mr. Hunt suffered-let him

peals to the judgment can enrich a reputation that has already found its way to the heart. It is a great compliment) is the Indicator. For well as we do our own kindred, though itical perjury! Oh, it is not to be thought we never set gross corporeal eyes on of! Think of the example—think of the want let selected for his friend the man who had Jack Abbott's breakfast to join an evening Are we as inmates, I wish to know, with our not that either;—they have seldom the imgood spirits" for his revenue; and Prince party with Peregrine Pickle, Parson Adams, aunt, as we are with Miss Western? Could modesty to go as far as that. But what en-Posterity will do the same. The buffets and and Clarissa; and contrast the serrows and we not speak to the character of Tom Jones ormous want of modesty to go so far as they joys of Immortal Men with "The day of the in any court in Christendom? Are not do! Whey should the poor man be expected Hunt; his equal thanks for what is good and Disasters of Carfington Blundell, Esquire." scores of clergymen continually passing to have scruples which the rich laugh at?-

by expressing their merits in that way. THOUGHTS IN THE ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS. "We have life enough daily round about recommend that belief in good, that cheerfulapes to which we are unaccustom

ting principles of action, but the only truly horses dragging hackney-coaches are not religious homage to Him that made us all .- happy specimens. But the horse in the new So would he console himself, he remarks, for carriage is one, if we considered it. The those short-comings either in life or writings leaves and flowers in the nursery-gardens are bound to discover in themselves as they The sunbeam in the thick of St. Giles's grow old. "Let adversity," he concludes, comes as straight and young as ever from be allowed the comfort of those reflections, the godlike orb that looks at us from a disand may all who allow them experience the tance of millions of miles, out of the depths writers's cheerfulness, with none of the trou- of millions of ages. But the sun is a visitor bles that have rendered it almost his only as good-natured as it is great, and therefore we do not think too much even of the sun-Is it to be in this case, then, as in so many beam. The bounding creature in its cage is Surely, if a recognition of men of letters is And how pleasant to think it is on the other s plainly avowed, we will not believe that Fancy the bear suddenly jumping off his pole

"Enter Policeman.

"Policeman .- Good God!-A gentleman Exit Policeman. with a tiger!" THE DR. JOHNSON OF ANIMALS.

and to be taken up when the spirits have fellow; likes as much water as the other did should be painted with periwigs, to look like to believe that her manners, and cast of need of sunshine. It ranges through every subject indicated in its comprehensive title—wiles, and though perhaps less irritable and subject indicated in its comprehensive title—women of beauty and wit; men of scholar-women of beauty and wit; men of scholar-women of beauty and genius; deathless books—and in its ship and genius; deathless books—and in its fancy and understanding, its reason and impricked him, and whom he drenched with ditch water. If he were suddenly gifted with ditch water. If he were suddenly gifted with ditch water. If he were suddenly gifted with says the writer?

"I can pass, with as much pleasure as "I can pass, with as much pleasure as ever, from the reading of one of Hume's Estimated the suddenly into the ground well as the nature of the times. Most unanswerable arguments for the ballot are condensed in a masterly appeal and of the circles in which she moved, had given no licence, no encouragement, no paradoning itope to the presumption, is impossible; and to trample in this way upon the whole miserable body of his humility, upon at the refere believer in others, and such as are therefore believer in others, and such as are therefore believer in others, and such as are all which the consciousness of acceptability and glory among his fellow-creatures, had into the heart, of solidity into the ground well into the heart, of solidity into the ground well as the nature of the times, and of the circles in which she moved, had given no licence, no encouragement, no paradoning its reason and into the circles in which she moved that the consciousness of the circles in which she moved to trample in this way upon the whole miserable body of his humility, upon and of the circles in which she moved, had the circles in which she moved to trample in this way upon the whole miserable arguments for the ball-water. The condition is impossible; and to trample in this way upon the whole miserable arguments for the circles in which she moved, had the circles in which she may upon the whole miserable arguments

HONOLULU, SATURDAY, MAY 12, 1849. says to that of the Arabian Nights, and vice sir.' Nor is it to be doubted, when going to tread upon, of loveliness into the flowers, of versa, and I think, the longer I live, the dinner, that he would echo the bland senti- hope into the stars! retainer of youth in age, MEN WOMEN, AND BOOKS .- A Selection of closer, if possible, will the union grow. The ment of our illustrious countryman on a like and of comfort in adversity! bringer of tears Sketches, Essays, and Critical Memours, roads are found to approach nearer, in pro- occasion. 'Sir, I like to dine.' If asked into the eyes that look upon these imperfect from his uncollected Prose Writings. By portion as we advace upon either; and they his opinion of his keeper, he would say, words, to think how large and longing the "I am far from meaning that there is noth- good fellow,—like myself, sir (smiling,) but and his transitory power, and what mornings ized Mr. Leigh Hunt's writing than its ing real in either road. The path of matter not quite so considerate; he knows I love of light and abundance thou hast in store, warmth and sincerity. He has seldom writ- of fact is as solid as ever; but they who do him, and presumes a little too much upon my nevertheless, for the whole human race, preten anything so slight that it did not contain not see the reality of the other, keep but a forbearance. He teazes me for the amuse- paring to ripen for them in accordance with some portion of himself; some personal ver- blind and prone beating upon their own sur- ment of the bystanders. Sir, Hipkins takes their belief in its possibility, and their resoity and experience or thought, which would face. To drop the metaphor, matter of fact the display of allowance for the merit of as- lution to work for it in loving trust! Oh!

and hearty as ever!"

tures of the imagination, and paints it so vi- was allowed none." vidly to the life that the last party at Thomson's or Smith's is nothing to it. Observe

"The next arrival-(conceive how my pity, by no means injurious to the most physical admiration; but I did not say this to Lady Grandison, who asked my opinion on the subject. Booth was a fine strapping fellow, though he had not much in the property of the south of France; a journey which, for so infirm and habitual a homester, would have been little less, than if an invalid now-a-days should propose to go and live with his friend in South America." low, though he had not much in his face .- LADY MARY MONTAGUE'S QUARREL WITH POPE. no knowing these precise people."

persons, only to be produced in these latter than the sun of the moon; or, to make a less times, we love such a man as Abraham Adams better than all the characters in all histories of the world, orthodox or not orthodox. We hold him to be only inferior to a Shakspeare; and only then because the latter joins the height of wisdom intellectual to his window and the statement of the world, orthodox or not orthodox. We hold him to be only inferior to a lill-chosen time, when she least expected what romances call 'a declaration,' he made such with Parliamentary Reform, with Army Flog-comfortably situated than most. He has his wisdom cordial. He should have been passionate love to her as, in spite of her utgings, with Liberty of Free Speech—with water to bathe in, mud to stick in, and an Shakspeare's chaplain, and played at bowls most endeavours to be angry and look grave, everything that then outlawed and now exalts area many times bigger than himself for his with him. What a sound heart—and a fist a man—and say honestly, and without exagcircuit. Very interesting is it to see him to stand by it! This is better than Sir Chargeration, how he conceives Mr. Hunt's ac- throw bits of mud over himself, and to see les's fencing, without which his polite person enemy.' geration, now the conceives for. It is a reprint from the magazines and sion. It is a reprint from the magazines and sion. It is a reprint from the magazines and reviews (including the Edinburgh) to which reviews (included)—would often have been in the series (included)—would often have been in the included)—would often have been in the series (included)—would often have been in the included)—would often have reviews (including the Edimburgh) to which the Mr. Hunt has contributed during the last quarter of a century; and is full of variety, beauty and cheerfulness. It is a book to lie in the cherished corner of a pleasant room, in the cherished corner of a pleasant room.

Why, sir, Hipkins is, -upon the whole, a mind of man is, compared with his frail virtues shall they be thought guilty of deserting thee, tributions to periodicals have been properly ternal shapes of truth; fiction represents the Here is a question put, answered irresistibecause, out of the very love of truth they feel themselves bound to proclaim to what ex-"I beg leave to ask the candid reader tent it does not exist? because, out of the sketches before us have durable character- and immediate; to love fiction is to have as how he can prove to me that all the heroes and very love of truth, they will not suffer those istics. They have the "qualities to wear well" which are spoken of in Goldsmith's Now these two senses, if they exist at all, love, shed tears, and laugh till his sides were lous zeal in its behalf, when the lie is to be

existence as the fattest of us? Common to a lover of equal dealing, is the selfish and "Mechanical knowledge is a great and a physical palpability is only a proof of mortal- conceited arrogance with which the rich denot think as writers merely. Incidentally glorious tool in the hands of man, and will ity. The particles that crowd and club to- mand virtues on the side of the poor, which they we have named one, and we have a modern change the globe. But it will still leave ungether to form such obvious compounds as do not exercise themselves. The rich man lies example before us. There is little danger in touched the invisible sphere above and Tomson and Jackson, and to be able to repredicting of Mr. Leigh Hunt, that, in the about us; still leave us all the great and sist death for a little while, are fretted away -through his footman; lies when he makes admiration with which another race of read- all the gentle objects of poetry—the heavens by a law of their very resistance; but the 'civil speeches,'—lies when he subscribes arers is likely to read him, personal affection and the human heart, the regions of genii and immortal people in Pope and Fielding, the ticles; lies when he goes to be married (vide will mingle largely. Nor does it seem to us fairies, the fanciful or passionate images that deathless generations in Chaucer, in Shak- marriage service;) lies when he takes 'the that the life of a man of letters, however that the life of a man of letters, however come to us from the seas, and from the flow-choosed by toll or hardship can have a false prometry and Cervantes,—acquaintances and friends should lie! that he should give a false prometry. nobler or more delightful reward. Mere critical approbation fades before it. No ap-In the writings here collected, as in the cooks by which Mr. Hunt is better known. We pass from the inside of an omnibus into we see how and why this is. Prince Ham- the very thick of the world of books; leave sons and Tomkinses compared with theirs? and wrong—to his eternal salvation. Nay, But they are delightful volumes for extract away in this transitory world, gone and for- Why deny him weapons which they make and we shall best deserve the reader's thanks gotten, while Parson Adams remains as stout use of against himself ?- in this respect, as in too many others, resembling their 'noble' So believing, Mr. Hunt invites himself to feudal ancestors, who had the nobleness to an evening party composed of these crea- fight in armour, while the common soldier

POPE AS REVEALED IN HIS LETTERS.

"There are abundant proofs in these Letlers of the best kind of sincerity, and of the ost exquiste good sense. Pope's heart and versal beauty, that brotherly consideration minds us of the wonderful and ever-renewing the Rev. Dr. Primrose, Vicar, of Wakefield, purse (which he could moderately afford) the Rev. Dr. Primrose, Vicar, of Wakefield, purse (which he could moderately afford) were ever open to his friends, let his asserthe latter red and staring with delight. The Doctor apologized for not being sooner; but envious cunning in as much evidence to the Mrs. Primrose said she was sure the gentle-folks would excuse him, knowing that people accustomed to good society were never in a flurry on such occasions. Her hushand would have made some remark on this; but seeing that she was prepared to appeal to her 'son, the Squire,' who flattered and made an indulgence conceded to his little crazy her his butt, and that Sir William Thornhill body, and his fear of being jostled aside by and both the young mrrried ladies would be in pain, he forebore. The Vicar made haste to pay his respects to Sir Charles and Lady Grandison, who treated him with great distinction, Sir Charles taking him by the hand and calling him his good and worthy friend. I observed that Mr. Primrose had acquired something of a collected and cautious look, as if determined never to be cheated again. He happened to seat himself next to Peregrine Pickle, who information is a sature was bred in him by reading sature (Horace, Boileau, and others;) and it was doubtless more bent on being admired for its wit than feared for its severity, exquisitely severe though he could be, and pleased as a man of some factors. He happened to seat himself next to Peregrine Pickle, who informed him, to his equal surprise and delight, that Captain Booth had written a refutation of Materialism. He added that the Capt. did not choose at present to be openly talked of as the author, though he did not mind being complimented upon it in an obscure and ingenious way. I noticed after this that a game of cross purposes was going on between Booth and Primrose, which often forced a blush from the Captain's lady. going on between Booth and Primrose, which often forced a blush from the Captain's lady. It was with much curiosity I recognised the defect in the latter's nose. I did not find it at all in the way when I looked at her lips. It appeared to me even to excite a kind of pity, by no means injurious to the most all.

> When Mr. and Mrs. Booby (the famous Pa- "Pope, who seems to have made her acmela) afterwards came in, he attracted so much attention from the latter, that upon her asking me, with a sort of pitying smile, what I thought of him, I ventured to say in a whelming passion. He became an ardent pun that I looked upon him as a very good Booth for the fair; upon which to my astonishment she blushed as red as scarlet him at Twickenham. Both he and she were and told me that her dear Mr. B. did not ap- then at the zenith of their reputation; and prove of such speeches. My pun was a here commences the sad question, what it was mere pun, and meant little; certainly noth- that brought so much love to so much hate, ing to the disadvantage of the sentimental tantas animis calestibus iras. Question, part of the sex, for whom I thought him by no however it is no longer, for the Introductory means a finished companion. But there is Anecodes have settled it. To attribute it to Pope's jealousy of her wit, and certain im-Bear witness, spirit of everything that is true, that, with the exception of one or two Pope could no more be jealous of her wit,